



*Martin O'Malley, Governor  
Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor  
John R. Griffin, Secretary  
Joseph P. Gill, Deputy Secretary*

Meeting of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission  
April 16, 2012  
2-5 PM  
Tawes State Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

## **Summary of Motions and Actions**

**Commissioners Present:** Chairman William Rice, Vice Chairman Larry Simns, Gail Sindorf, Danny Webster, Bill Sieling, Moochie Gilmer, Bill Goldsboro, Dale Dawson, Gibby Dean, Steve Gordon, Robert T. Brown, Richard Young, Tom Ireland (proxy for Brian Keehn)

**Commissioners not present:** Mike Benjamin

DNR Staff: Tom O'Connell, MD DNR Fisheries Service Director, Gina Hunt, MD DNR Fisheries Service Deputy Director, Martin Gary, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Erik Zlokovitz, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Dianne Samuels, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Sarah Widman, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Karen Knotts, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Mike Luisi, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Kelly Barnes, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Lt. Nick Powell, MD DNR NRP,

**Public:** Ed O'Brien, Gary Webster, Kate Culzoni

## **Action Items**

TFAC designates Commissioners Webster, Young, and Dawson to serve on the gear authority review work group with SFAC WG members

MD DNR will put together options for scoping related to clam time restrictions in the fall

MD DNR will take potential blue crab management options on sponge crabs and the scrape fishery to the Blue Crab Industry Work Group

MD DNR will provide results from the Winter Dredge Survey to the TFAC and Blue Crab Industry Work Group when it becomes available, and convene the Blue Crab Industry Work Group to discuss possible management options

MD DNR will proceed with the expansion of the Cook's Point Reef Ball sanctuary from four to eight acres as delineated in the posted presentation

The Maryland "True Blue" program will consider expanding to include promotion of Maryland soft shell crabs